

## HEARINGS CONDUCTED BY THE

## MICHIGAN LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION

Held: Tuesday, September 10, 2013

Lansing District Office 7150 Harris Drive Lansing MI 48909

Present: Andrew J. Deloney, Chairman

Teri L. Quimby, Commissioner Dennis Olshove, Commissioner

Absent: None

Chairman Deloney called the hearings to order at 10:16 a.m., noting a quorum was present.

- 1. Moved by Commissioner Olshove, supported by Commissioner Quimby, that the minutes of the Lansing Appeal Hearings of September 3, 2013, be approved as written and presented, motion carried by unanimous vote.
- 2. Curry Kitchen Inc., 1141 Third, Muskegon, Muskegon County Request ID# 658603

The licensing hearing was conducted for Curry Kitchen Inc., Request ID# 658603. Dawn Hetzel appeared on behalf of the Attorney Generals Office, Attorney Keith L. McEvoy and sole stockholder Kismat Grewal, appeared on behalf of the applicant. Also present was Rajwinder Grewal, spouse of stockholder. Ms. Hetzel, Mr. McEvoy, Ms. Grewal and Mr. Grewal offered comments regarding this case. After discussion on the record, Chairman Deloney made a motion to amend the previous Commission Order dated April 24, 2013, by deleting the stipulation that spouse of the sole stockholder, Rajwinder Grewal, have no involvement with the business, as set forth in the Licensing Appeal Order. Commissioner Olshove supported, and the motion was carried by unanimous vote.

3. Marta's Fine Foods L.L.C., 6541 Stadium, Kalamazoo, Oshtemo Township, Kalamazoo County Request ID# 675067

The Church hearing was conducted for Marta's Fine Foods L.L.C., Request ID# 675067. Dawn Hetzel appeared on behalf of the Attorney Generals Office and member Marta Parilli, appeared on behalf of the applicant. Present for objecting church, Oshtemo United Methodist Church, was Pastor John Fisher and Janet Snyder, member of Ad Council. Ms. Hetzel, Ms. Parilli, Ms. Snyder, and Pastor

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Fisher offered comments regarding this case. After discussion on the record, Chairman Deloney advised the findings of the Commission are as follows: that the Oshtemo United Methodist Church filed a proper objection to the granting of the new Tavern license to be held in conjunction with a new Specially Designated Merchant License, with new Entertainment Permit and new Specific Purpose Permit, and that the applicant had the burden of proceeding, and that the applicant had to show by competent, material and substantial evidence that issuance of the license would not adversely affect the normal operation of the church. Chairman Deloney made a motion that the applicant has demonstrated that a waiver of MCL 436.1503 would NOT adversely impact the normal operation of the church, and the file would be sent back to the Licensing Division to allow the licensing process to continue. Supported by Commissioner Olshove, motion carried by unanimous vote.

4. Raj Holdings, LLC, d/b/a Thumbs Up Lounge, 53 N Howard, Croswell, Sanilac County Complaint No. 2-152396

The violation appeal hearing was conducted for Raj Holdings, LLC, Complaint No. 2-152396. Dawn Hetzel appeared on behalf of the Attorney Generals Office and no one was present on behalf of the licensee. Ms. Hetzel offered comments regarding this case and noted on the record that the applicant was properly notified of the hearing. Ms. Hetzel advised the Commission that a letter had been received on September 9, 2013, from member, Rita Schultz, that she would not be attending the hearing, but would still like to appeal the decision as she does not feel she is responsible for the violation. After discussion on the record, Chairman Deloney made a motion to affirm the previous Commission Order of Administrative Law Judge Robert H. Mourning, dated May 13, 2013, as set forth in the Appeal Hearing Order. Commissioner Olshove supported, and the motion was carried by unanimous vote.

With no further business, moved by Commissioner Olshove, supported by Commissioner Quimby, that the Appeal Hearings be adjourned at 11:33 a.m., motion carried by unanimous vote.

Andrew J. Deloney
Chairman

Anita Fawcett